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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Anthony Boey et al.

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed December 23, 2005 on the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A Petition for a five-month extension of time to extend the period of response to on or before January 23, 2007 and a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) accompany the present response.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 11 of this paper.

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